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"MAJ" REQUESTS PERMISSION TO MEET "ZARE" IN THE
LINE OF COVER TO DISCUSS HER FUTURE (1944)

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To PETROV.

Your number 267[a].

1. ANTON[i] is in liaison with ZARE[ii] with the sanction of the CENTRE[iii]. I am acquainted with her only in the line of cover, and she told me about her affairs on her own initiative with the request to help release her from work in the FACTORY[FABRKA][iv] or transfer her to the PLANT[ZAVOD][v], about which she has already asked GRANDPAPA[DEDUSHKA][vi]. I think it inadvisable to disclose myself[RASSHIFROVIVAT'SYA] to her [;] please allow me to meet her in the line of cover.

2. In view of the presence in the FACTORY of TOWNSMEN[GOROZHANE][vii] who display an undue interest in our citizens, [B% and to avoid compromising] ZARE's undercover status[KONSPIRATsIYA], she should be released from the work only on condition of being transferred to the position of student at Columbia or of being sent home. I request further instructions.

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MAY[MAJ][viii]

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Note: [a] Not available.

Comments: [i] ANTON : Leonid Romanovich KVASNIKOV.

[ii] ZARE : Elena Konstantinovna GORBUNOVA.

[iii] CENTRE : MGB headquarters in MOSCOW.

[iv] FACTORY: The AMTORG Trading Corporation.

[v] PLANT : The Soviet Consulate-General in NEW YORK.

[vi] GRANDPAPA: Evgenij Dmitrievich KISELEV, Soviet Consul-General in NEW YORK.

[vii] TOWNSMEN: Citizens of the U.S.A.

[viii] MAY : Probably Stepan Zakharovich APRESYAN, Soviet Vice-Consul in NEW YORK.